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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

An Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance was attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed October 5, 2010.

The Statement lists several steps in allowed Claim 7, as well as identifies deficiencies in U.S. Patent No. 6,454,945, to Weigl, with respect to Claim 7.

Applicant respectfully wishes to point out, however, that Claim 7 contains different (albeit slightly) claim language than that identified in the Reasons for Allowance, and Applicant does not agree with the characterization of Claim 7 and its noted differences with Weigl as set forth in the Reasons for Allowance.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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